

REMARKS

1. Drawing Amendment.

Figure 9 was objected to for failing to show reference sign "P". The figure has been amended to show the reference sign, but no new matter has been added. Replacement FIG. 9 is attached to the end of this response.

2. Specification Amendments.

The specification has been amended to correct a scrivener's error on page 18, line 3. No new matter has been entered.

3. Claim Amendments.

The claims have been amended in accordance with the Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter. No new matter has been added.

Claims 1-10 have been cancelled.

Claim 11 has been amended to include the subject matter of Claims 40, 41, 46, and 47. As the examiner indicated that Claim 47 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim (Claim 11) and any intervening claims (Claims 40, 41, and 46), Claim 11 is allowable. Claim 11 also has been amended to correct an antecedent basis error noticed by the examiner.

Claims 12-13 have not been amended in this response.

Claim 14 has been amended to correct a typographical error noticed by the examiner.

Claim 15 has not been amended in this response.

Claim 16 has been amended to correct a typographical error noticed by the examiner.

Claims 17-21 have not been amended in this response.

Claim 22 has been amended to correct a typographical error noticed by the examiner.

Claims 23-29 have not been amended in this response.

Claim 30 has been amended to correct a typographical error noticed by the examiner.

Claims 31-39 have not been amended in this response.

As each of Claims 12-39 depend directly or ultimately from Claim 11, which is now allowable, Claims 12-39 are allowable.

Claims 40 and 41 have been cancelled.

Claims 42 and 43 have been amended to depend from Claim 11. As Claim 11 is now allowable, Claims 42 and 43 are allowable.

Claims 44 and 45 have not been amended in this response. As each of Claims 44 and 45 depend directly or ultimately from Claim 11, which is now allowable, Claims 44 and 45 are allowable.

Claims 46 and 47 have been cancelled.

Claim 48 has been amended to depend from Claim 11. As Claim 11 is now allowable, Claim 48 is allowable.

Claims 49 and 50 have not been amended in this response. As each of Claims 49 and 50 depend directly or ultimately from Claim 11, which is now allowable, Claims 49 and 50 are allowable.

Claim 51 has been amended to depend from Claim 11. As Claim 11 is now allowable, Claim 51 is allowable.

Claim 52 has been amended to include the subject matter of Claims 11, 40, 41, 46, and 51. As the examiner indicated that Claim 52 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim (Claim 11) and any intervening claims (Claims 40, 41, 46, and 51), Claim 52 is allowable.

Claim 53 has been amended to include the subject matter of Claims 40, 41, and 46. As the examiner indicated that Claim 53 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim (Claim 11) and any intervening claims (Claims 40, 41, and 46), Claim 53 is allowable.

Claim 54 has been amended to include the subject matter of Claims 40, 41, and 46. As the examiner indicated that Claim 54 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim (Claim 11) and any intervening claims (Claims 40, 41, and 46), Claim 54 is allowable.

Claim 55 has been amended to depend from Claim 11. As Claim 11 is now allowable, Claim 55 is allowable.

New Claim 56 is based on original Claim 52 and depends from Claim 11. As Claim 11 is now allowable, Claim 56 is allowable.

New Claim 57 is based on original Claim 53 and depends from Claim 11. As Claim 11 is now allowable, Claim 57 is allowable.

New Claim 58 is based on original Claim 54 and depends from Claim 11. As Claim 11 is now allowable, Claim 58 is allowable.

New Claims 59, 62, and 65 are based on original Claim 12 and depend from Claims 52, 53, and 54, respectively. As Claims 52, 53, and 54 are now allowable, Claims 59, 62, and 65 are allowable.

New Claims 60, 63, and 66 are based on original Claim 13 and depend from Claims 59, 62, and 65, respectively. As Claims 59, 62, and 65 are now allowable, Claims 60, 63, and 66 are allowable.

New Claims 61, 64, and 67 are based on original Claim 30 and depend from Claims 59, 62, and 65, respectively. As Claims 59, 62, and 65 are now allowable, Claims 60, 63, and 66 are allowable.

No new matter has been added in any of the amendments to the claims.

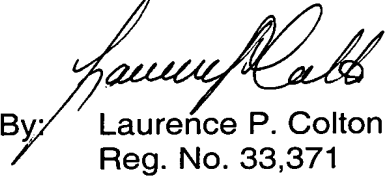
Applicant has submitted previously payment for fifty-five (55) total claims and three (3) independent claims. As the amendments to the claims result in fifty-three (53) total claims and four (4) independent claims, the additional claims fee of \$100.00 for the additional independent claim, small entity, is enclosed.

CONCLUSION

Applicant submits that the patent application and the claims are in condition for allowance and requests such action.

If the examiner has any final questions or concerns prior to allowance, please have the examiner contact the below signed attorney of record.

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